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1. AS NOTED IN REFTEL (A) OF JUNE 1976, THE LONG-STANDING
ISSUE OF LATIN AMERICAN MILITARY MISSION DEBT POSES A
UNIQUE AND COMPLEX PROBLEM. POST REPLIES TO THE REFTEL, IN
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PARTICULAR THE STRESS BY MANY POSTS ON THE NEED FOR ADDED
DOCUMENTATION, REINFORCES OUR APPRECIATION OF THE DIFFI-
CULTIES THAT RESOLUTION OF THE PROBLEM WILL ENTAIL.

2. WE RECOGNIZE THE CONCERN OF MANY POSTS THAT THIS PAR-
TICULAR DEBT ISSUE NOT BECOME AN UNNECESSARY IRRITANT IN
BILATERAL RELATIONS WITH HOST GOVERNMENTS. WE ARE SENSI-

TIVE TO THESE CONCERNS PARTICULARLY IN THE LIGHT OF RECENT DEVELOPMENTS AFFECTING OUR MILITARY PROGRAMS IN A NUMBER OF LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES.

3. THE DEPARTMENTS OF STATE AND DEFENSE HAVE CAREFULLY REVIEWED THE ISSUE AND ARE AGREED THAT WE MUST CONTINUE TO PURSUE RESOLUTION. WE ARE ALSO AGREED THAT BECAUSE OF THE CONCERN NOTED IN PARA 2, THAT OUR EFFORTS TO RESOLVE THE PROBLEM SHOULD BE MADE IN A LOW-KEY FASHION AND AT A WORKING LEVEL.

4. WITH REGARD TO DEBT ATTRIBUTABLE TO PERU, THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE IS REVIEWING THE TECHNICAL AND LEGAL QUESTIONS RAISED IN REFTEL (B). THE MATERIAL REQUESTED IN PARAGRAPH 8 REFTEL (B) WILL BE FORWARDED ASAP. WE ARE ALSO REVIEWING PROCEDURES RELATING TO CURRENT ACCOUNTS TO SEE WHERE IMPROVEMENTS IN BILLING PROCEDURES ARE REQUIRED.

5. YOUR CONTINUED COOPERATION ON THIS DIFFICULT ISSUE IS MUCH APPRECIATED. VANCE

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